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Forest Service Winter Recreation Opportunities in Pend Oreille County

Newport, WA – The Newport-Sullivan Lake Ranger Districts of the Colville National Forest have identified the open winter recreation routes in the Pend Oreille County area. For more information on grooming, maps or to buy a Sno-Park Pass (required at all Sno-Parks) go to the Washington State Parks website at www.parks.wa.gov.

Groomed Snowmobile Routes:

Ione to Metaline – Open

Paupac/Le Clerc - Open

North Fork Chewelah Creek -Open

Flowery Trail – Open

Ninebark- Closed until further notice due to logging activity, possibly late January.

Kings Lake – Partially Open. About 42 miles of routes are closed on the Colville NF portion of the Tower Fire Closure Area including access to N.Baldy, S. Baldy and Pelke Warming Hut.

Mill Creek -off Tiger Hwy (WA 20) near Little Pend Oreille Lakes –Open

Flodelle/Tacoma –Open

Non-Groomed Snowmobile Routes:

Slate Creek – Open

Sullivan Creek - Open

Harvey – Open

Non-Motorized Routes:

Geophysical - Open

Frater Lake – Open

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